

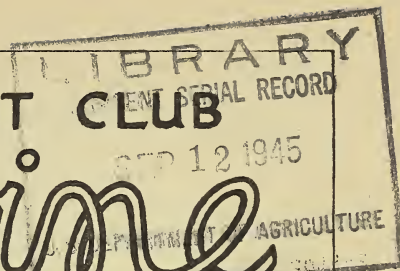
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VJ DAY ARRIVES! FCA'ERS CELEBRATE

At 6 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, President Truman announced that the Japanese Government had accepted the Potsdam terms, ending the most destructive war known to man. Following this momentous announcement, came the joyful news that all Federal workers would be excused from duty for 2 days. Downtown Kansas City immediately began a boisterous celebration in which many FCA'ers had no little part.

A group of four girls, the three Meuers sisters and Dorothy O'Bryan, plowing their way down Twelfth Street dodging pails of water and bricks which came flying from hotel windows, finally ended up at home with no broken bones for a 4 a.m. breakfast. "Feathered" and "water soaked" Louise Pressgrove stood under the canopy of the Phillips Hotel watching an exuberant sailor direct traffic and a soldier climb a street car to restore its trolley with the aid of a cop.

Others who participated in the "Battle of Twelfth Street," some following attendance at church services, were Helen Brecheisen and her sister, Bernice Nilson, Mabel Schweitzer, Frances Price, May Watson, Mary Pat Brazzell and her sailor friend, Mr. and Mrs. Les Futrell, R. F. Eberhart and daughter, Jerry Lloyd, Phillis Windrum, Katherine Delany, Carietta Rech, and Camille Humbrecht.

Dick Robertson forged his way down Main Street in front of a street car taking pictures he thought, but later found he had ruined eight rolls of film and had no pictures because he had been too excited to pull out his film slide and expose his film. Too bad he didn't get a picture of the Conga line at Eleventh and Baltimore Streets for in it there was Sarah Schneider "doing her stuff."

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News From Field And Camp



LETTERS FROM OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

The happy excitement noticeable in the Examination Division on August 22 was accounted for by a visit from Major Franklin R. McCormick, FCA's own "Banker" who made good in the army as a "Baker." The story behind this fact is pretty well known in FCA circles, but bears repeating. "It all came about through a clerical error. Major McCormick, in answering a questionnaire before his reserve commission was made active, wrote "Banking" as his former occupation. Someone mistook it for "Baking" and he wound up in a cooking school."

General Dwight D. Eisenhower, after eating at a table in London supervised by Major McCormick said, "That's the best damn meal I've ever had!" He was inspector-instructor of the London base command for a long time, and later was in charge of about 30 mess halls and

several officers' clubs. He was instrumental in getting better food for our soldiers, and also trained British civilian cooks to prepare food as it is done in the States.

Later, he was made Personal Effects Officer and was with the troops in the European Theatre of Operations from D-day plus 12 until February 1945. His work took him up to the front lines as the troops progressed through France, Belgium, and into Germany. Early in 1945 he became ill and was sent to a hospital, being returned to this country last March. He is now stationed at the Quartermaster Depot, Independence and Hardesty, Kansas City, Missouri.

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Andrew N. Morrison, S2/C
U.S.S. LCI (G) #17, c/o Fleet Post
Office, San Francisco, California

I am cooking regularly now. I work for 24 hours, and am off for 24 hours. I cook 3 meals and am available at night while on duty in case they decide to give the crew sandwiches.

Please tell everyone hello, and let them know I am getting along all right. It will be wonderful when I get back to resume old friendships.

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For more than a year now General Files has written a weekly letter to the boys in service from that department. Last week a "special" letter was sent thanking them for sacrificing so much in order to make V-J day possible. It was signed by every member of the Section. This thoughtful expression will no doubt be much appreciated by the recipients.

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It would be greatly appreciated if anyone knowing the correct address of Thaddeus S. Grydyk would notify Betty Higgins. 3

We have a V-mail letter from Cpl. George T. Cairl in which he says he is leaving the first of September for the States, and that he will probably see us soon.

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NEW SERVICE ADDRESSES

(Change your directory: or add to it)

H. T. Mason, SK 2/c	Lt. Gordon O. Finley
"S" Division	U.S.N.R. Harbor Entrance Control Post
USS Botetourt	Navy 3142 - c/o
(APA 136)	Fleet P.O.
c/o Fleet P.O.	San Francisco, California
San Francisco, California	

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We read with interest this item in the most recent issue of USDA:

"In the patio of the Administration Building in Washington there is a corner dedicated to our men and women in the armed forces. There is a service flag with 16,734 beside a blue star and 220 beside a gold star, hanging above a flexible index on which appear the names of all Department employees (both field and Washington) who have entered the service of their country."

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REPORTERS, PLEASE BE PROMPT!

News for the next issue of the GRAPE-VINE should be in by Saturday, September 8.

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A farmer ran in to tell a neighbor that his wife had suddenly gone insane. "I don't know where she could have caught that insanity germ," he added, "She ain't been outside our kitchen for 25 years."

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It is so easy to think our weaknesses have been inherited and that our virtues are original.

Strictly Personal



Central Office Accounting. Eileen and Mary Hague had the unusual experience of talking over the phone with their brother Jack in Rome, Italy. Pvt. Hague, who has been overseas 2½ years, was spending some leave in Rome and while there was fortunate enough to receive an audience with the Pope....Vacationist Ethel Peacher is seeing Washington, New York, and Canada....A picture of her brother taken recently in a Paris studio is proudly displayed by Sarah Schneider...Marian Morelock and Sylvia Mehaffy visited for several days at Marian's home in Greencastle, Mo....Dorothy Owens is vacationing in St. Louis.

Chief of Administrative Division's Office and Planning. V. V. Hemstreet filled up his gas tank and started out with his family on a westward tour....Rumors have caused Paul Rapp to give much thought to the question of when should he begin to pack up his suitcase for the move to Washington....Mary Ketchum decided that a vacation in Maysville, Mo., was as good as a vacation in California and returned her ticket...L. E. Collins has returned from a visit with his mother in New Canton, Ill.

Chief Clerk's Office. Ramona Trout, who is becoming adept at fish stories, on return from a seining expedition in a creek near Lawson, Mo., claims they caught a sack of fish....WAC Alverta Marston recently made a flying visit to Kansas City from Denver.

Cooperative. Leora Welch entertained guests from Topeka over the week end....J. P. Markey is spending his vacation moving into his new home located in the Country Club district....Present guests

of Hester Eads are her sister and her nephews from Platte City, Mo....Virginia Levy was surprised by a visit from her soldier husband who had 4 hours here between trains on a recent Wednesday...The welcome mat is out for Bob Steffey who is back at his desk following his release from the Army....Ellis Batten's niece and nephew from Georgia have been visiting him....George Thompson is vacationing in the cool breezes of Lake Michigan.

Economic & Credit Research. Lloyd Halvorson resigned as of August 25 to become Economist for the National Grange in Washington, D. C., where he will be associated with A. S. Goss, former Land Bank Commissioner....Virginia Kipp did all right on a vacation trip to Denver judging from the diamond which graced her left hand on her return....Former FCA'er Betty Spivey Lockhart, sporting a beautiful Miami tan, stopped in for a visit while waiting at her parents' home for her husband's reassignment after overseas' duty.

Emergency Crop & Feed Loan. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frost, after spending a day moving, are now happily at home in their new apartment at the Westport Arms.

Examination. Elizabeth Welch and Isabella McGinnis attended the Pan-American picnic on August 18 at Unity Farm....H. M. Shields is alone again since Mrs. Shields and daughter Lorita returned to Tennessee after a summer in Kansas City....The preoccupied look worn by George Olson is caused by a head full of plans for the fall term of the men's bowling league, of which he is president.

Finance & Accounts. Girl friends of Ruth Helen Hudson gathered at her home on a recent eve for a slumber party, at which there was no slumber but a lot of "wnoopee."....Christmas came

surprisedly in August for Ruth Ann McMann when she received a purse and raincoat from friends "just because they think she's nice."....Peggy Lowe's tiny sister Lois spent 2 weeks with her... Official business took Jimmy Pitts to Washington, D.C....Fred Ganley is spending a well-earned vacation in the Minnesota Lake region....Happy expression on Virginia Lee Davis' face is caused by the resumption of mail from overseas... Mary Jo DeMasters has returned to her desk following an illness of 3 weeks.... Loree Carlson received a lovely wrist watch from her fiancée, T/Sgt. Lester Proctor....Mary Kidwell's daughter Frances has joined the ranks of government workers at the Quartermaster's Depot...Rowena Moore still wears a worried look because no apartment has she found....From Colorado Peggy Zinn returned with stories of a wonderful trip....Bob Drescher is now with the Benson soft ball team and will make a trip to St. Joe, Mo., to play in the State tournament.....Carolyn Sorrell is beginning to see her way around after getting used to her first pair of glasses... ..Gladys Rovillo traveled to Lexington, Mo., for a bit of pleasure with her niece who is a trained nurse at Wentworth Military Academy.....R. C. Ferguson entertained a guest from Washington during a 2 weeks' vacation....Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gray motored to Palestine, Ill., for a visit with Mrs. Gray's family.... Virginia Bahr was made happy the return from Munich, Germany, on August 14 of her staff sergeant friend who will spend his 30 days' furlough with her....The W. T. McKeown's are entertaining guests from D.C....Marjorie Wiss, with her mother and brother, motored to Cameron, Mo., to visit relatives....It was a vacation within a vacation for Bill Albright when the VJ vacation occurred while he was vacationing at home.... Delta Vaughan and Alma Franklin drove to Wellington, Kans., on a week-end trip... Helen Thorpe was introduced to "that certain marine's" sister, Mary Elizabeth Morgret, from Edina, Mo., and spent

a day with her....Mary Jane Blyholder is now sporting a unique "striped" tan... E. J. Repetto and Bill Albright are on field trips to Philadelphia and D.C.

General Files. Newcomer Sadie Warner is welcomed to the section....Shirley Ellefson from the Mail Room is detailing in our midst.

Graphic. Hoyt Elkins is back from a Denver vacation with tales of fishing and mountain climbing - on the back of a donkey....Dorothy Palmer's favorite sailor Elgin Thelan, is a Kansas City visitor....Edna Misterek flew to her home in Delmont, S. D., for a reunion with her brother who returned from overseas.

Information & Extension. The Clay Mobleys have had as guests Clay's brother George and family from Wichita... ..Grace Stoke is vacationing in Louisiana where a certain Army sergeant is stationed....Did she or did she not do it on purpose? Catherine Hardy while driving a Red Cross Motor Corps car recently got lost in Swope Park with a car full of servicemen!... Mary Watson visited at her home in Albany, Mo., for a few days..... Marie Pühr spent an afternoon in Independence, Mo., seeing the home of President Truman....A rat "that long" (and it gets longer everytime the story is told) has been the cause of squeals along the center corridor.

Intermediate Credit. Catherine Fox is spending 30 days' leave with her husband, Sgt. Larry Fox, who has returned from the European war theatre.

Land Bank. A TWA Stratoliner took Lucille Holmes on her first plane trip to New York City for a wonderful 12 days with her husband....Dorothy Griffith is recovering from an attack of pneumonia at St. Mary's Hospital....Arlene Donason recently spent several days at her home in Nebraska where the center of

attraction was her nephew...Don Bushnell is recuperating at his home from a recent illness....We found out the reason W. P. Stanton likes hot weather is because he used to work on the desert. ...Former FCA'ers Mary Markel and Louise Shear visited in the division.... Clydine Clabaugh's sister Doris flew in from Tulsa for a Kansas City weekend... Girls of the division gave a party at Lucille Holmes' apartment in honor of Louise Flack who is resigning to await a blessed event.

Library. Louise Fressgrove's nephew Lt. Will Reese Mullens, of the U. S. Navy and Nashville, Tenn., visited in the library with battle stars asminin'. Lt. Mullens has recently returned from submarine duty in the South Pacific....Lucille Achauer has returned from a 10 days' vacation trip to Peoria, Ill., where she was maid of honor at the wedding of a friend.

Personnel. Jeanne Walkup has tired feet from tramping around the fair grounds at Sedalia admiring Missouri's "fairest" cows, hogs, and horses.... Our sympathy to W. L. Moore who was called to Cincinnati because of the death of his father...."Teddy" Taylor is back at her desk wearing a rested look after a vacation on the farm with her parents near Maryville, Mo..... Carietta Rech is awaiting a club flower snow so that she can exhibit the purple rose with the "pedigree" now blooming in her office....Cliff Goodson departed with his family for a visit with his parents in Colorado Springs... Flash! Lloyd "Wins" Johnson, who may have been seen walking up and down streets carrying household equipment looking for a place to live, has at last found an apartment....Elinor Mitchell has returned to her desk following a "whiz-bang" vacation at the home of her folks in St. Joe, Mo.... Was there a blusn on Milt Hoberecht's face when champion typist Olga El Kouri sang a song to him to the tune

of a typewriter at the recent demonstration to typists?...Vacationist Marie Wassenburg has returned from Lamar, Colo.

Production Credit. "Peggy" Frew Lindenmayer, Jr., who has just received her discharge from the Waves, stopped in to say hello to former coworkers while en route to San Diego to join her sailor husband....Fulton Want was a convalescent for a few days at his home following an attack of appendicitis.... Quoted from a letter received from Lt. Gordon Finley from overseas "Can now tell my grandchildren that when grandpa got over here the war ended right away."

Purchase & Supply. James Mock has returned from a visit with relatives in St. Joe, Mo., with joyous tales of the good time he had....Several members of the section on a recent eve dined on fried chicken served picnic style at the home of R. L. Crim. The delicious food, all home grown except the iced tea and butter, was served on the lawn under a huge walnut tree....Mary Harris is mighty proud of a good friend of hers, T/Sgt. J. O. Zutz. Sgt. Zutz, with the 6th Infantry Division on Luzon Island, P.I., has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroism in action against the Japanese in the Cabaruan Hills on January 26, 1945. He crawled 150 yards to the side of the wounded and with the aid of several comrades, pulled five wounded men from the lane of enemy fire to a spot where they could rapidly be evacuated to aid stations.

Regional Agricultural Credit. 'Tis rumored that Carlton Mahone is color blind! Of course, it is not known whether the traffic light was green, as he said, or red, as the cop said, but the Police Department is today \$3.00 richer....Traveling on official business are Fred Wallace to Omana and St. Paul and Bob Hall to Wichita.

Solicitor's Office. As Victor Kranz and family returned from Denver, the vacation spot of which motorists have been dreaming, George Longfellow and family deported by car for the same resort....Bob Brownell spent 2 days on official business in Oklahoma City.... Mary Lochbaum hurried to her home in Pontiac, Ill., because of the illness of her uncle....Mr. and Mrs. Clair Kintz have returned from a trip to Iowa and Minnesota where an item of particular interest was their 11 months' grandson.. ..While vacationing at her husband's home in Atlantic City, N. J., Cecelia DiCanzio received a real surprise when her husband phoned from Boston to say he had just arrived in the States. News of peace had reached Cpl. DiCanzio's ship in a Puerto Rican port while his unit was en route from England to the Pacific....E. Anthony is attending the conference of regional attorneys in Chicago.....Jean Sutter is vacationing at her home in Fairbury, Ill.

Stenographic. Newcomers Beverly McFarland, Evelyn Sell, and Rosalyn McCampbell are welcomed to the division.. ..Lula Tavenner is recuperating from an illness in St. Luke's Hospital.

Tabulating. Margaret Smyth spent a week's vacation at home with her children....Helen Riggs week-ended in Lamar, Mo., the birthplace of President Truman....Jeanne Gross trusted herself behind the wheel to speed to St. Joe, Mo., for a week-end visit with her boy friend who is stationed there....The doctor ordered a rest cure, so Norma Jeanne Talkington will spend the next month in Shenandoah, Iowa...Carroll Thomson visited her fiancée, Frank Nelson, in St. Louis.....Vacationist Gertrude Bukaty has returned in a happy mood over good fishing in the Lake of the Ozarks and because one of her brothers received his discharge from the Army after 3½ years of service.

Telephone. Ella Sheehy was a one-armed operator for a couple of days because of a fracture sustained while doing her good deed for the day. She fell while carrying some ice cream to a neighbor... Helen Baughman departed for a visit with her folks in Muskogee, Okla....Flowers were wired to Mary Miller, who was with FCA in Washington, when friends heard of her serious illness in Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON NEWS

CR&S had a letter from Lt. (j.g.) Henry Bradford who said his ship was back in the States for repairs - having been hit by a Jap suicide boat at Okinawa. Fortunately the casualties were light. A. W. McKay is still holding forth in Iran - we hear from him now and then. We welcome Miss Donna J. Stowell who joined the CR&S staff this past week, coming in from Michigan. Dr. Knapp has returned from his approximate 5 months' sojourn to Brookings Institute. 'Dolf' Fugitt was in to say hello the other day. Harold Hedges' son Clayton is back in the States after participating in major battles from Italy through France and Germany; while his other son Dick is still in the Pacific.

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FAREWELL

FCA associates of Deputy Land Bank Commissioner John A. Smith joined in holding "open office" with him prior to his retirement, and representatives from all divisions throughout the FCA attended. Mrs. John Smith graced the occasion with her presence and was the recipient of a corsage.

A scroll which had been signed by many of his closer associates; a gold mounted pen and pencil set and funds for the purchase of a dog were presented to Mr. Smith on this occasion, after which light refreshments were served. Everyone

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entered into the delightful informality of the occasion and appeared to enjoy it.

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To our Friends of FCA:

Mrs. Smith and I wish to again thank you for the fine party and for the beautiful and useful gifts you gave us. As we use them we shall think of you and of your many kindnesses to us over the years.

It is our hope that each of you will again renew your loyalty and devotion to the very splendid organization with which you are connected and from which we so reluctantly take our departure.

TO FCA

Of all the groups in this fair land,
There's none so capable - none so grand
As the one we've been with for many a day,
The group that's known as FCA.

The men and women who labor and toil,
Are the finest on America's soil,
They're the cream of the crop as one
might say,
These loyal folks of FCA.

Our leaving after all these years,
Is ample cause for sadness and tears,
For we shall miss them every day,
These splendid folks of FCA.

And through the years we all must face,
Others will come and take our place,
But please don't forget us though far
away,
Our very good friends in FCA.

Thanks again, good luck, and don't forget our house by the side of the road.
The latch string will be out.

John A. Smith

START SAVING NOW FOR THE VICTORY LOAN

In a recent press release Secretary of the Treasury Vinson stated that the Victory Loan will be scheduled for the month of October, and added:

"It should provide a fitting climax for the series of successful drives by which we at home have finished the war.

"It will give each one of us an opportunity to tell the men - and the women - of our Army, of our Navy, of our Marine Corps, of our Coast Guard, and all others whose selfless services have helped us win this war, how proud we are of them. It will give us all an opportunity to share in the tasks yet to be done.

"There are millions of our men overseas. Billions of dollars will be needed to bring them home, to provide their mustering out pay, and to care for the disabled.

"Other billions will be required to provide for contract cancellations and to meet other costs incident to the liquidation of our war effort.

"We must maintain forces of occupation in German and Japanese territory, as long as necessary, to make secure the victory that has been achieved at the cost of so much suffering and of so many lives.

"All this will cost money. In the last war, expenditures in the six months following the Armistice were greater than those in the last six months of fighting. This time the first steps toward an orderly reconversion and our transition to a peacetime economy should be less costly proportionately. Nevertheless heavy expenditures attributable to the war will continue for many months."

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Home Service News



Our Gray Ladies in FCA are living up to their objective of being morale builders for hospital patients. Karine Barstad in Trinity Lutheran and Jean Suter and Mary Lochbaum in St. Josephs' say they are well repaid for the little personal courtesies they perform. They write letters, read stories to the patients, arrange flowers, make telephone calls, or sometimes just visit with the patients. The girls hope other FCA'ers will join them in this worthwhile welfare work.

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CREDIT UNION HAS AMPLE FUNDS

The monthly report of the FCA Employees Federal Credit Union for July 1945, shows cash on hand amounting to \$4,418 and investments totaling \$39,000 (U.S. Bonds and Federal Savings and Loan Association shares). Loans outstanding on the same date amounted to \$12,261.

At the present time the credit union has 530 members out of a potential membership of 610. Since organization in 1942, the credit union has loaned \$155,567 with a loss of only \$159.06.

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1945 RED CROSS FLEDGES

During August 1945 collections of \$54 were made upon Red Cross pledges; however, there are still due unpaid balances totaling \$401.75. As it has been nearly six months since these pledges were made, we urge you to do something about them. You may make payments to M. J. Fraile - Room 2149, Ext. 166.

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PROPOSED CLUB ACTIVITIES

The recently circulated questionnaire concerning Club sponsored activities revealed that some members would like Club sponsorship of the following additional activities:

- Harmony
- Book reviews
- Cooking instructions
- Posters - "Scrap Art Work"
- Pistol practice and target shooting
- Geology (field trips)
- Instruction in practical household repairs such as replacing burned out fuse, iron cord, radio tubes, etc.
- Swimming instruction

If you too, would like to participate in any of the above activities but failed to write them in, it isn't too late to notify the committee in charge of the questionnaire....but act now, send your request to Tom Fritchard, Room 1005. Remember that at least 15 members must indicate interest in an activity before it is organized under Club sponsorship.

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PAN-AMERICAN PICNIC

On Saturday, August 18, the Federated Pan-American Clubs of Kansas City, consisting of six conversation clubs in Spanish and Portuguese, acted as hosts at a picnic at Unity Farm given in honor of the Latin-American students attending the University of Kansas City, and the Latin-American officers of the Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth. More than 200 persons attended. The program consisted of swimming, dancing and singing of the national anthems of the 16 countries represented there, besides a special program of fine musical talent.

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Club Room Notes



New books recently received in the club library include:

THE LOST CAESAR by Ruth Fenisong
THE FATES ARE LAUGHING by W. P. Crozier
DEATH IN THE MIND by R. Lockridge and
G. H. Estabrooks
IT'S A FREE COUNTRY by Ben Ames
Williams
YOU'LL BE SORRY by Samuel Rogers
SILVERSIDES by Robert Trumbull
FIFTY SHORT SHORTS edited by Mary Anne
Howard
RUNYON A LA CARTE by Damon Runyon
ROOSTER CROWS FOR DAY by Ben Lucian
Berman
BROAD MARGIN by A. R. Beverly-Giddings

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THE WEAKEST LINK

Isn't it odd how long it takes the newspapers of a strange town to become a part of you? One becomes familiar with people, buildings, stores, streets, and everything else long before he feels at home with a newspaper.

That is why the Farm Credit Club reading room is such a rendezvous for FCA employees to read the Washington papers. You can pick up a paper which has been folded and left on a table, and sit in a comfortable chair while you read, just as you would at home. There is no fuss or bother with a long wooden stick, which locks the paper securely to prevent your taking it home with you, as would be the case in a public library.

Magazines and periodicals are loose also, just stacked on a table for your convenience. Likely as not in a regular library they would be chained in a stiff folder to a table, and you

would be forced to sit in a straight hard chair while you read. Not so in the Farm Credit Club room.

But doesn't it make you wild to get interested in a story just to find that someone has cut or torn out the very part you need to learn if the heroine really got to live her own life, or if her daddy changed her mind by giving her a sound spanking? There ought to be a law.....!

And just let someone recommend a good book from the club library. What happens? You race down to get it and it isn't there. What is worse, no record of any kind can be found. It has taken an unnecessary trip like Wilbur Steele's "That Girl From Memphis." Someone should tell that Memphis girl that the ban on traveling was in force when she took that trip. You would think persons would prefer having books issued to them. No chance to forget then, because the librarian will remind you when a book is overdue. The few cents charge is never missed, and those pennies keep on hand a stock of new reading material.

It doesn't take Sherlock Holmes to figure out that if magazines and books don't get rid of their wanderlust, everything will have to go under lock and key. The persons who walked away with the current issues of "Time" and "Life" should get life - well, 20 years anyway!

This brings to mind the old adage "A chain is no stronger than its weakest link." And a person who is a weak link is taking chances on someone making a mistake sometime and calling him (or her) a "missing link," and that's an awful looking critter.

(HWV)

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FCA SUMMER BOWLING LEAGUE

Prizes were awarded on the basis of the following final results:

Team Standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pin Fall
Browns	28	20	32,207
Senators	27	21	31,501
Yankees	26	22	31,369
Tigers	24	24	30,720
Athletics	23	25	30,556
White Sox	23	25	30,116
Indians	31	27	31,972
Red Sox	20	28	31,345

Records

HTG	Senators	812
HTS	Browns	2,206
HIG (men)	Frazee	256 Elim.
	McWhirt	219 Elim.
	Maguire	213
HIG (women)	Anderson	256 Elim.
	Carter	211
HIS (men)	Frazee	615
HIS (women)	Anderson	555

Averages

Men		Women
McWhirt	165-7	McGee 139-10
Frazee	162-10	Ruch 133-16
	Elim.	
Van Leer	151-24	

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Anderson	256
Drescher	200
Ruch	209
Bartlett	209
McWhirt	219
Maguire	213
Carter	211
Frazee	256

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FUTURE PRO?

If you notice an extra smile of pride on Tom Pritchard these days you can bet it's because Tom Pritchard, Jr. played 3rd base for I.B.E.W. local 412 (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers) in the Junior Division of the 3 and 2 league and ended the season last Sunday with a batting average of .467....and that isn't all....He was picked for the "All Star" team and will be seen at 3rd base in the All Star game at Ruppert Stadium Thursday night, August 30. No sir, you can't blame Tom, Sr. for being proud!

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NEW BOWLING SEASON

The men's Farm Credit Bowling League is scheduled to commence the 1945-46 season at The Plaza Bowl on Thursday, September 6, 1945, at 6:30 p.m. The league this year will be comprised of eight teams representing the following divisions: Graphic, Reports, Field Accounting, Examination, Land Bank, Short Term, Cooperative and Personnel (CAPS) and Administrative Audit. Quite a number of new bowlers will participate in the competition this season, for the first time and it is anticipated that the teams will be well-balanced and a hot fight will continue to the finish.

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In the carnival spirited crowd at the Union Station, where sailors, soldiers, and marines (namely, men) were kissed by wildly happy girls, were Verna Brewer, Alma Franklin, Delta Vaughn Pearl Ferguson, Sylvia Mehaffy, Dorothy Dick, and Marian Morelock.

The 2 days following that eventful eve were spent by some FCA'ers industriously. Tom Fritchard gardened and chopped up cord wood, while E. B. Reid rebuilt a picket fence. T. L. Piper and John Kennedy spent a day taking housecleaning orders from Mrs. Piper, but in keeping with union hours laid down their broom and mop promptly at the end of an 8-hour day and reached for a cool mint-julep.

Others being unable to resist the right to say again "Fill 'er up" took to the road for a travel spree.

Margaret Donnelly accompanied a friend in a drive to Omaha but spent most of the time trying to locate an open restaurant or a soup line, or anything. George Hinde shined up his maroon coupe and promptly got it all dusty again in a drive to a country cemetery, where he spent a "cheery" afternoon wandering about reading tombstone inscriptions. Veteran Clay Mobley, on his return from Mena, Arkansas, where he celebrated with Lt. Paul James and his wife, borrowed E. B. Reid's car and treated his family to a long and enjoyable ride.

In the heart of every FCA'er, whether he remained quietly at home during the hours following the war's ending or whether he joined loudly in wild celebrations with others, there was humble thanks to God for peace and ever remembrance of the debt of gratitude of freedom loving people to the brave heroes who did not live to hear the noise of victory.

NEW BOWLING SEASON

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Earlier in the summer the league held its organization meeting at which George Olson was elected president, "Boots" Porter, vice president, and Vince Johnson, secretary and treasurer.

Plan to be on hand on the opening nite and give your favorites a good send off.

HITS AND MISSES

The summer Plaza Major Men's Bowling League completed its season on August 23, 1945. The team sponsored by the Farm Credit Club finished the last night by winning two out of three games from the Magnusson Hardware aggregation thereby landing in a tie for fifth place, having won twenty-three games and lost twenty-five.

WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE ORGANIZED

An eight-team bowling league has been organized by the women of the FCA. The season will start Thursday, September 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Plaza Bowl. The officers to serve throughout the season are:

Cecelia Jacobs	President
Mary Hague	Vice-president
Helen McCabe	Secretary
Dorothy O'Bryan	Treasurer
Elma Muller	Assistant Treasurer

PAN-AMERICAN PICNIC

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Dorothy Dyhrberg, Margaret Olsen, Isabella McGinnis, Elizabeth Welch, Alma Day and Gwendolyn Goode were the FCA'ers who took advantage of the opportunity to speak Spanish and/or Portuguese, and entered into the good-neighbor spirit with enthusiasm.